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## JUDGE EWART HAS ENTERED MORE BILLS THAN ANY TWO

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The Judge's is here on a little private business—of interest mostly to the Judge.

Solicitor A. Hall Johnston is here for a few days—Mr. Johnston has many friends among the members of both houses who are glad to greet him again.

Representative Brown of Jackson has been called home by the serious sickness of his mother.

Judge Walter E. Moore of Jackson, who has been here during the past two weeks, will remain until the end of the session. The Judge's son, Tom, one of the assistant clerks in the house, may decide to open a law office in Hendersonville some time during this year.

Mrs. M. L. Shipman, wife of the Commissioner of Labor, has entirely recovered from her recent very severe illness.

Some of the laws made and to be made are as follows:

Buncombe county wants permission to issue refunding bonds; also to work convicts outside of county; also to allow county commissioners to collect mileage.

Ewart has introduced a bill to provide for the inspection of spirituous, vinous and malt liquors. His anti-trust bill was tabled, Monday.

Spainhour's \$400,000 public school appropriation receives favorable report.

Westminster school in Rutherford has been incorporated.

Onslow county would issue \$10,000 good road bonds, and there are many other similar bills in the house.

Several counties want auditors to check up county officials.

Cherokee county will issue refunding bonds and levy special taxes.

Many counties besides Henderson have raised age limit of working road from 18 to 21.

Ewart's bills limiting sleeping car berths to one dollar for upper and one and a quarter for lower berths and compelling railroads to pull mileage on trains, have been reported unfavorably. His measure to protect sheep in Henderson has been favorably reported.

Spainhour wants \$400,000 appropriated annually, in addition to present appropriations, for the support of the public schools of the state.

Dillard of Cherokee, would have a more accurate listing of gross incomes in excess of one thousand dollars. This will interest many Henderson county folks.

The bill to establish a State highway commission will be killed. The fate of Piedmont county, which the house declined to create by a vote of 54 to 42, makes the advocates of the other proposed new counties feel very much on the indigo order.

An insurance measure of importance is that taxing five per cent all insurance placed in companies not authorized to do business in this state. The man whose property is insured pays the tax.

Brown of Jackson has introduced a bill levying a special tax to finish paying for the graded school in Hills-

boro Township, in Jackson county.

Wood of Transylvania, one of the hard working members of the General Assembly, a man who is always to be found in his seat in the house, and who never yet has missed a committee meeting, would have the compulsory law put into effect in his county and it looks now as though he was going to be successful in his efforts.

The bill to increase the pension of George A. Hughes of Jackson received an unfavorable committee report.

Ewart is determined if possible to get through a dog law for Henderson which will give the farmers some chance to raise sheep.

The general assembly looks with favor upon the bill to assist poor children to secure school books.

### Bill Going Through The Hopper.

The bill to convene the Superior Court on Tuesday instead of on Monday unfavorably reported by the committee.

Ewarts bear-killing was killed in the committee. His non-resident license bill to hunt was favorably reported. High Point wants to issue bonds in wholesale quantities for public improvements. Spainhour has introduced an excellent measure to protect virtuous deaf, dumb and blind women, also making husband and wife jointly liable for purchases for the support of the family. The bill to prevent marriage between first cousins was unfavorably reported.

The Western Training School bill reached the house last week, being introduced by Williams of Buncombe, as did the measure to repeal the charter of Asheville. Representative Wood of Transylvania would protect deer and other animals enclosed in parks, this having special reference to that deer park near Brevard, while Livingston of Folk wants to regulate the prices of electric lights, gas, etc., in the town of Tryon. Ewart introduced a bill to incorporate the Chimney Rock and Hickory Nut Turnpike Company, reference to which is made elsewhere in this paper.

### Fruitland Institute News.

Dr. Miller of Hendersonville is spending a few days here conducting services. The meetings are well attended and deep interest is being manifested.

An organization of Baptist Ministers has been started here. The members heartily urge and Baptist minister who will, to come, and meet in conference. The meeting is on Tuesday of each week at four o'clock.

Rev. A. O. Allison was visiting the Institute a few days ago. We are always glad to see the former students coming among us again.

A musical entertainment has lately been given by Prof. Gruver. Such an entertainment is very restful and gratifying to the hard working Fruitland folks.

Miss Marie Vance of the Institute went for a visit to her home at Etowah.

Mr. Clarence Norton has returned to his home at Lake Toxaway.

### No Charge for Telephoning a Telegram.

Charges for telephone messages used in getting to the nearest Western Union Telegraph office when the local office is closed, either at night, on Sunday or Holidays will be absorbed in the charges for the telegram. This is a convenience for Hendersonville people and many will take advantage of the opportunity of getting a message on time regardless of the hour.

## AN OPEN LETTER TO THE PUBLIC ON GOOD ROADS.

We, the undersigned citizens and tax payers of Henderson county having heard of the agitation on the part of some of our citizens as to amendments to the present road law and as to the work being done by the Chaingang, and being deeply interested as to the best interest of the county in having good roads, have taken the trouble voluntarily to make a thorough investigation of the present road law and the work that is being done by the chaingang under the present management.

We have heard some criticism as to where the Chaingang is doing its work and on investigation we find that under the present management the Chaingang has done work in every township in the county, and as some have asked where this work has been done, we will set forth the places as follows:

Crab Creek Township has had a new road built across the mountain between the head waters of Mud Creek and Crab Creek; a new road from the Crab Creek Road to Kanuga Lake and a new road up the mountain from Crab Creek School House, and the road repaired from Willow to the iron bridge at Jordan's Rock.

Mills River Township has had work on the road from the iron bridge at Jordan's Rock to Etawah and from Etawah to Boylston; a new road and bridge across the North Prong of Mills River to the South prong; a new road and iron bridge across French Broad River from the River to Angeline.

Green River Township has had work and changes on the Greenville road from the top of the mountain to Station's place and has had a new iron bridge over Green River.

Clear Creek Township—The main road to Fruitland has been improved and changes between Clear Creek and Fruitland; changes and amendments between Fruitland and Barnwell's; a new road and bridge across Clear Creek leading from Fruitland to the Edneyville Road; changes and amendments on the Howard's Gap Road.

Edneyville Township has had various improvements and amendments in the main Edneyville Road; a new road from Edneyville to Clear Creek and a new Road Reedy Patch Creek, where the convicts have worked for the past six months, and an iron bridge across Broad River.

Blue Ridge Township we find has had less work than the other townships but has had some work on several different roads and we are advised by the Supervisor that Blue Ridge is entitled to the next time with the Chaingang.

Hoopers Creek Township has had improvements and a new road from Fletcher to Terrier's Gap and from Goodluck up Hoopers Creek and the Asheville Road made good from the Buncombe county line to Mud Creek.

Hendersonville Township has had improvements on the Willow Road, work on the Edneyville Road, Flat Rock Road, Haywood Road, Shaws Creek Road, a fill across Mud Creek Swamps on the Clear Creek Road and a new road up Devil's Fork; and we find that the Chaingang is now at work in Hendersonville Township on the Asheville Road near Balfour.

From this it would seem that the work of the chaingang has been about as well divided as it would be possible for it to be as it would be impossible for them to work all of the Roads of the County at one time. Some road must be first and we urgently recommend to the citizens of the county that they stop quarreling as to where the chaingang does its work and aid them in helping to build roads like the road they are building at present to the Buncombe county line from Hendersonville to Edneyville, and to Blue Ridge, and to Upward, and to the Greenville county line and to Crab Creek, and to Horse Shoe, and to Mills River. These roads cannot all be built at once but if the people on the various roads will put their shoulder to the wheel and help roll instead of pulling backwards we could soon have all of our roads improved like this one. What the people of Henderson county need is to stop fussing over the work that is being done and trying to make amendments to the present road law, but instead aid the Supervisor in carrying out the work that he has started.

We have made a personal visit to the Chaingang, have examined the work that is being done by them and have compared it with the cost of free labor or if done under contract. In the last 12 months we find that the Chaingang

has built a road down Reedy Patch, which is probably the roughest section of our county, and have a road there from one that was almost impassible to a grade that does not exceed 5 per cent, a large percent of this having been built through solid rock, and 6 months of the past year was spent on this road. In addition to this the Chaingang has built a fine road from Fletcher to Terrys Gap and have built the road from the Buncombe County line to where they are working at present near Balfour.

We find for the last year that the Chaingang has cost the County not exceeding \$4,500.00 and we do not believe that the work that has been done by them for this length of time could be done by free labor or under contract for \$15,000. In these figures we are conservative and we would invite any unbiased, unprejudiced man in the county to inspect the work and see if we have ever estimated the value.

We find on examination that the mules and horses that have been worked by the Chaingang under the present management has not cost the county one cent and that there has been worked for the past 12 months from 6 to 12 head of mules and horses, that these teams, wagons and harness have been furnished by the parties where the roads have been built and by the Supervisor, and if this had been charged to the county at the current price of \$3.00 a day, that the teams could not have been hired for a less sum than the total cost of what the chaingang has been to the county.

We find that the Supervisor is working for the county for a salary of \$300. a year, an amount not sufficient to pay his expenses for the work he has done in laying off roads. It is useless for us to say that we do not think that the County will be able to get anyone to do the work that the present Supervisor is doing for the price that they are paying him and we feel sure that he is only doing this because he is interested in the county having good roads and is, therefore, willing to sacrifice his time and do his share of the work that is necessary if our county is to ever enjoy the blessing of having good roads. Don't fight him, help him.

We do not believe that under any law or under any system that we will be able to accomplish any more work than is being done at present for the money expended. We feel safe in saying that for every dollar now expended by the county, the county is getting three dollars in services. When these conditions are true how can we hope to improve on them?

We therefore, urge our fellow citizens to stop the agitation of new laws and fussing as to where the Chaingang should be worked, but instead work with the Supervisor and help him carry on the good work which has been started and keep this up until Henderson county can boast of the best roads in Western North Carolina, and we recommend to our law makers that as long as the above conditions are true that the citizens of Henderson county do not desire any changes in their present road law, and we urgently request that the law be let remain as it is at present. Changes will only delay and hamper the good work that is now being done and time will be lost to the detriment of the county and its citizens.

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Spainhour's Proposed Primary Law. The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. On the first Tuesday in September next preceding each general election in November for State officers, judges, solicitors, and Representatives in Congress, there shall be held in the several election precincts within the territory for which said officers are to be elected a primary election for the purpose of nominating candidates of all political parties in this State for said offices; and at each primary election next preceding the election of a Senator in Congress there shall likewise be nominated the candidates of all political parties in this State for said office.

Sec. 3. On the tenth Tuesday preceding each primary election, the State Board of Elections shall meet in the city of Raleigh and appoint the county boards of election for the several counties. On the seventh Tuesday preceding a primary election the county board of elections of each of the several counties shall meet at the courthouse and organize in the same manner prescribed by law, and on the sixth Tuesday preceding the primary election for each election precinct, and on or before the second Tuesday preceding the primary election shall appoint the judges of election in the manner prescribed by law; and the registrars and judges shall likewise serve in the general election unless for good cause others shall be appointed.

Sec. 4. The regular registration shall be kept open before the primary election in the same manner as before the general election, when electors may be registered for both primary and general election.

Sec. 5. Every candidate for State office or Congressional or judicial office, or for United States Senate shall file with the State Board of Elections at least six weeks before such primary a notice stating his party affiliation, the office for which he is a candidate, and a pledge to abide by the result and support the party candidate nominated at such primary. In all cases where only one aspirant for nomination for an office by his party files such notice, the board of elections with which such notice is filed shall declare him the nominee of said party.

Sec. 6. At the time of filing such notice the candidates shall deposit with the proper board of elections the following sums: Each candidate for the nomination for Governor, Representative, or Senator in the United States Congress, the sum of \$250; each candidate for any other State office, except for Lieutenant Governor, and for each judicial district office, shall deposit the sum of \$150, and for Lieutenant Governor the sum of \$50, all of which sums, except such as is necessary to pay the cost of printing and distributing the tickets, as hereinafter provided, and paying the per diem and expenses of the State Board of Elections in the matter, shall be paid to the county in which primaries are held in accordance with the number of voting precincts at the last preceding gubernatorial election. All expenses of holding such primary elections shall be paid by the several counties.

Sec. 8. No ballot shall be voted in a primary election except the official ballots furnished by the Secretary of State, and if any others are voted they shall be counted. When an elector offers himself for voting, he shall present his ballot so that the name of the political party printed thereon shall be plainly visible. If he be a qualified elector, he may deposit his ballot in the ballot box of the political party whose ballot it is, but in no other, or he may permit the registrar or judge of election to so deposit it. At the same time the name of the voter shall be entered on the poll-book, together with the name of the political party in whose ballot box he voted.

Sec. 13. At the time of holding the primary election for State officers, or at such other time as the county board of elections may fix and thoroughly advertise for thirty days in each election precinct, there shall likewise be held a primary election for the nomination of the candidates of all the political parties in the State for the offices of Senator and Representative in the General Assembly, and for all the county and township offices; and at the same time and place there shall be elected such precinct officers of the political parties as their constitutions or plans of organizations may provide for.

Sec. 14. No one shall be voted for in said primary election for the nomination of legislative, county, and township candidates unless he shall have filed a notice with the board of elections and made the deposit prescribed by the county board of elections within the time prescribed.

Sec. 15. The county board of elections at the time said county primary election is advertised, or before, shall prescribe and publish in each election precinct such rules and regulations as they may lawfully prescribe in connection with said primary election. Said board shall prescribe the notice to be filed by those desiring to be voted for in said primary, which shall be substantially the same as that required of those aspiring to nomination for State offices; and said board shall require deposits in graded sums

of moderate amount of all those filing such notice.

Sec. 17. The deposits made by aspirants for nomination with the county board of elections shall be paid into the general fund of the county treasury, and the county shall pay out of its general fund all the necessary expenses of conducting said county primary election.

Sec. 18. Nominations shall be made by a majority of the votes cast. If no aspirant receives a majority of the votes cast for any nomination, a second primary election shall be held, in which only the two aspirants who receive the highest number of votes shall be voted for. Should either one of those receiving the highest number of votes withdraw and decline to run, and shall file notice to that effect with the proper board of elections, then said board shall declare the other aspirant nominated. If a second primary is ordered by the State Board of Elections, it shall be four weeks after the first primary, and if ordered by the county board of elections, it shall be two weeks after the first primary. In each case the second primary shall be held under the same laws, rules, and regulations provided for the first, except that there shall be no further registration of voters.

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